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QUOTE S E C R E T DAMASCUS 3149

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S TRIP TO MIDDLE EAST

REF: STATE 195287

1. REVIEWED YOUR MESSAGE WITH PRESIDENT'S PRIVATE SECRETARY
DABOUL AND KHADDAM EARLY MORNING AUGUST 18.

2. INITIAL SYRIAN REACTION IS THAT AS OF TODAY PRESIDENT'S
CALENDAR FREE FOR YOUR VISIT AUGUST 23 AND AUGUST 27-SEPT 1.
ONLY INCONVENIENT TIME FOR YOU TO ARRIVE WOULD BE AUGUST 24-
26 WHEN YAR PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI WILL BE IN DAMASCUS. AL-
HAMDI DEPARTS DAMASCUS TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, HOUR NOT YET
DETERMINED. KING HUSSEIN'S OFFICIAL VISIT HERE WILL END
AUGUST 22.

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3. KHADDAM DEPARTS DAMASCUS AUGUST 21 TO ATTEND LIMA NON-
ALIGNED CONFERENCE. HE SAYS HE WILL PROBABLY BE ABSENT
FOR 10 DAYS BUT THIS SHOULD IN NO WAY AFFECT YOUR
PLAN TO COME HERE. HE SENDS HIS BEST REGARDS AND REGRETS
HE UNLIKELY TO SEE YOU ON THIS OCCASION.
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